

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, before the first line, add the paragraph:

This is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/618,552, filed July 17, 2000.

**Page 2, the second full paragraph, lines 12-20, replace the paragraph with:**

In "buydirect.com" (<http://www.buydirect.com>) from which software can be purchased ~~by~~ on-line, when the download of software fails, if the customer re-purchases it within 30 days after the purchase, the customer is not billed again. Basically, the re-purchase can be executed up to three times only. When the re-purchase fails three times, if the customer informs customer service of such a fact, the number of ~~limit~~ times ~~of the downloading~~ can be made is increased.

**Page 3, the first full paragraph, lines 2-7, replace the paragraph with:**

According to the conventional techniques, in a procedure for re-purchasing digital contents when the delivery of the digital contents fails, the number of times the re-delivery can be executed and a period during which the re-purchase can be performed are limited, ~~so that it is a troublesome procedure which creates problems~~ for the customer.

Page 3, the second full paragraph, lines 8, replace the paragraph with:

It is an object of the present invention to provide a cyber mall system in which even if a delivery of purchased digital contents fails, at the time of re-purchase of the digital contents, the digital contents are delivered again only by selecting the digital contents in which the re-delivery is desired without re-paying a goods price and re-inputting customer information.

IN THE ABSTRACT

A cyber mall system has a contents sales apparatus for selling digital contents, a contents purchasing apparatus, and a network for connecting ~~thesethese~~ components. When the digital contents are registered into the contents sales apparatus, ~~in the case where the digital contents are sold by the contents sales apparatus for defining digital contents using conditions constructed by a server side access control to the digital contents which is executed on the contents sales apparatus side and a physical act restriction to control an access to the digital contents which is executed on the contents purchasing apparatus side that purchased the digital contents,~~ digital contents personal using conditions are generated on the basis of ~~the~~ digital contents using conditions and are ~~given~~provided to a customer. ~~When~~If the

digital contents are again purchased ~~if~~after the delivery of the digital contents fails, ~~seas~~ long as the digital contents personal using conditions ~~given~~provided at the time of purchase are valid, the digital contents are again delivered without again collecting a digital contents value.